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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

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TOORU WASHIYAMA

Group Art Unit: 2655

Application No.: 10/781,933

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Title: OPTICAL PICKUP DEVICE, METHOD OF ASSEMBLING THE SAME, AND

OPTICAL DISK DEVICE

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 30, 2006, Applicant elects Group I, encompassing claims 1-8, without traverse for examination.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application for non-elected claims 9-12 at a future date, if necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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